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Wanted: Owl and Hawk pellets – In a cooperative effort with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, personnel of the Museum of Zoology of the University of Michigan are attempting to assess the current status of species of mammals thought to be threatened or rare in Michigan. These species include bog lemmings (*Synaptomys*), pine voles (*Microtus pinetorum*), and least, pigmy, arctic, and water shrews (*Cryptotis*, *Microsorex*, and *Sorex* spp.). In our survey efforts, we should like to enlist the efforts of a veritable "army" of small mammal specialists, the owls and hawks of Michigan. Careful analysis of the regurgitated pellets of owls and hawks often provides the only evidence that various species of rodents and shrews are present in an area. Thus, we should like to receive either owl or hawk pellets and/or information on the locality of winter roosts of these birds. Pellets may be sent to Lawrence L. Master, Mammal Division, Museum of Zoology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor 48109. Contributors of pellets should include information on the species of bird from which they derive, the locality (as precise as possible), the date(s) of collection, and the collector. All shipments of pellets will be acknowledged by a letter giving the results of an analysis of their contents.